Tuesday February 5th 2013

CONSULTATION WITH COOK INLET TRIBES ON THE EPA'S RE-ISSUANCE OF AN NPDES GENERAL PERMIT FOR OIL & GAS EXPLORATION IN COOK INLET FEDERAL WATERS

2:00pm -4:00pm ADT

Downtown Federal Building, EPA Alaska Operations Office, Raven Conference Room

Purpose: 1) to inform interested representatives of federally recognized Cook Inlet tribes about the EPA's Preliminary Draft NPDES General Permit for Oil and Gas Exploration in Cook Inlet Federal Waters; 2) to improve the EPA's understanding of Cook Inlet tribes' views and concerns about the preliminary draft permit; 3) to inform the development of EPA's Draft and Final NPDES General Permit for Oil and Gas Exploration in Cook Inlet Federal Waters.

AGENDA

1.	Introductions	(10min)	2:00- 2:10pm
2.	Meeting Goals and Expectations- EPA & Tribal Reps	(10min)	2:10- 2:20pm
3.	NPDES/ APDES Program Implementation and Oversight	(5min)	2:20- 2:25pm
4.	Cook Inlet General Permit History	(5min)	2:25- 2:30pm
5.	Preliminary Draft Cook Inlet General Permit Overview	(15min)	2:30- 2:45pm
6.	Permit Questions and Concerns from Tribes	(60min)	2:45-3:45pm
7.	Timeline and Next Steps for Permitting and Consultation	(10min)	3:45-3:55pm
8.	Closing	(5min)	3:55- 4:00pm

EPA Participants: Dan Opalski, Director of Region 10's Office of Water and Watersheds, will represent the EPA at this meeting. Project Lead and Permit Writer Cindi Godsey will also participate, and Southcentral Alaska Tribal Coordinator Katherine Brown will facilitate discussions.

Tribal Participants: The following federally recognized Cook Inlet tribes have responded to the meeting invitation and indicated that one or more representatives will participate in the meeting:

Chickaloon Native Village
Native Village of Eklutna
Kenaitze Indian Tribe
Native Village of Nanwalek
Ninilchik Village
Native Village of Port Graham
Seldovia Village Tribe
Native Village of Tyonek